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### 7 Budget Tips for Dabbling in a Color Trend

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New colors come into fashion with every season change. Keeping up with color trends is a great way to help a home decorated on a budget look fresh and current. Before jumping in, consider these tips to help keep you in style yet on track with your budget decorating goals.

1. One surefire way to incorporate new colors each season into your home is to have the major furnishings and walls in a neutral palette. This will allow you to bring in new colors without clashing.
2. Make sure that when you use the latest color in your home, it works with your other items. A well color coordinated room can make even the shabbiest of interiors look expensive.
3. Do not feel like you absolutely have to use the latest and greatest color in your home. Just because a color is in style, does not mean that you must like it or use it.
4. Think very carefully about investing money into a piece of furniture or other large item in the latest and greatest color. You don't want to be stuck with a sofa for 20 years date stamped spring of 2008.
5. Think small and cheap. For example, an inexpensive lacquered bowl in a fresh color brings the trend into your home for a small monetary commitment. A single throw pillow in the season's hot color is another budget friendly way to dabble in a new color.
6. Consider painting a small table or other furniture item in a new hue. A quart of paint is very inexpensive; the only real investment with this option is your time.
7. Think practicality when purchasing something simply to partake in a trend. You might consider purchasing an item for your Kitchen such a set of plastic tumblers or coffee mugs. This small purchase will give a taste of the color you crave with the ability to store the items in a cabinet once trend has passed.

Remember these seven tips the next time you see those great new colors. If possible, bring new colors into your home regularly for a true designer look. Just remember that you can participate in a color trend without sacrificing your decorating budget.